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We are in the process of reviewing the two spreadsheets listing information concerning abuse alleged to be connected to BSA programs. This review has been ongoing since we received those spreadsheets on June 13, but the number of names you provided, and the limited additional information you provided for some individuals, will require many hours of research. This process has been especially laborious, and will take additional time, for reports of conduct that predates the BSA's adoption of a computerized registration system in 2000, and for those names that are not exact matches to names in the BSA's records.

It is the BSA's policy that all incidents of suspected abuse are reported to law enforcement. Nothing is more important than the safety of youth in our programs, and we take allegations of abuse extremely seriously. If we determine that an incident you describe involves a known perpetrator listed in our Volunteer Screening Database ("VSD"), or an identifiable individual not currently listed in the VSD, then we will send the information you provided with information we have to law enforcement. We expect to begin notifying law enforcement regarding those perpetrators this week.

Where the information you provided is insufficient to identify the perpetrator from our records, we will attempt to use secondary resources. In any event, where we can identify the name of the perpetrator, we will forward the data you provided and any other information we are able to locate to law enforcement. That process will likely take a number of weeks to complete.

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In instances where the perpetrator's name or other information is insufficient to identify an individual, we obviously cannot notify law enforcement or take any other action. However, should you provide additional information which could help us determine a perpetrator's identity, we will perform additional research with the goal of reporting it to law enforcement.

As indicated in my prior correspondence, you will be copied on the transmittal correspondence to law enforcement and will be referenced as the source of the data provided.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. McGowan'.

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